

## Littlewick Green 1XI v HURLEY 1XI – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### Match drawn (W/L/D)

<b>HURLEY</b>		
N Akhtar*	b Brockwell	2
D Simoes+	b Brockwell	13
J Cole	c Akhtar b Wood	0
V Bhagwani	c&b Akhtar	11
H Graham	c Albertyn b Ling	48
P Ridgeway	b Ling	44
M Cole	b Brockwell	2
J Graham	c&b Ling	8
J Langlands	Not Out	15
Ajmal Ali	b Ling	4
J Dawson	Not Out	0
	Extras	44
	<b>Total</b>	<b>191-9 47ovs</b>

W Brockwell	12-2-30-3	C Symonds	3-0-14-0
M Wood	8-2-29-1	R Albertyn	5-0-25-0
W Fry	6-1-26-0	J Ling	7-1-25-4
J Akhtar	6-1-7-1		

<b>LITTLEWICK GREEN</b>		
J Ling	b Akhtar	8
S Banerji	lbw b H Graham	4
R Albertyn	b H Graham	0
W Fry	lbw b Akhtar	5
A Hurley	c Simoes b Langlands	18
J Mason-Apps	b H Graham	6
M Hickman	c Ridgeway b Langlands	13
M Wood	Not Out	58
J Akhtar	c J Cole b Langlands	12
W Brockwell	b Langlands	4
C Symonds	Not Out	18
	Extras	18
	<b>Total</b>	<b>164-9 43overs</b>

N Akhtar	12-1-38-2	V Bhagwani	4-1-20-0
H Graham	11-2-35-3	A Ali	2-0-14-0
J Langlands	12-3-28-4	J Graham	2-0-17-0

There was a touch of Deja Vue as Hurley, frustratingly and almost inevitably failed to finish off Littlewick Green on Saturday. After a week of machinations trying to field two 11's, Hurley were indebted to Jeff Dawson and Joe Graham, revising his revision plans to field a full side. Hurley won the toss and opted to bat under heavy skies and howling winds.

Skipper Akhtar clearly misread his own script as he chased a wide ball in the third over and played on. Josh Cole skewed the pace of Matt Wood to point where slip had time to run round and take the catch. Hurley were in danger of imploding at 12-2. Dave Simoes (13) and Vik Bhagwani (11) added 24 before Simoes fell to Will Brockwell (3-30). Henry Graham (48) laid an early claim to man-of-the-match with some powerful straight driving, and his partnership of 67 with some deft touches from Phil Ridgeway (44) took Hurley to a useful 145-5 when Graham dollied to mid-wicket. Hurley's innings was boosted by 44 extras as 24 byes and 8 wides jollied along the score. Jonathan Langlands (15not) added some hard hitting in the last 3 overs adding 20, taking the visitors to 191-9 from 47 overs.

A rather parsimonious tea quickly devoured by Hurley more used to the plenty provided by Val gave some respite from the wind. Hurley looked round for more but without success having quickly cleared the table. Short rations might have inspired Hurley to finish the match early battering the home side into 65-7 inside 26 overs. Naeem Akhtar (2-38) and Henry Graham (3-35) made the early inroads with Jonothan Langlands (4-28) taking out the lower middle order. The Champaign moment had to be Josh Cole's catch at long leg as he made good ground to pluck Akhtar (12) low down. Two wickets to Langland in the 32<sup>nd</sup> over left Littlewick tottering at 100-9 with 11 overs remaining. Matt Wood (58) belied his no8 billing with a confident and untroubled innings. Chris Symonds (18not) defended resolutely with only one scare as he fended off Graham where the ball plopped between short leg and square leg. With the wind threatening to launch the scoring gazebo into the nearby garden, Littlewick settled for the draw at 164-9 and the scorer got colder than a Mother-in-law's kiss.